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# MICRO COMMUNITY POLICING SUMMARY

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## IDENTIFIED COMMUNITY: SOUTH PARK

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(Includes South Park Neighborhood)

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## DEPARTMENT LEAD:

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## COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

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- Drug houses and associated criminal activity
- Property crime (including auto theft, burglary and car prowls)
- Safety in the parks and Duwamish Trail
- Illegal activity at stairwell at 12<sup>th</sup> Ave S and S Donovan Street
- Public order crime (including littering, dumping and graffiti)

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## PROBLEM SOLVING STRATEGIES

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- Drug houses and associated criminal activity
  - Utilize data to address specific locations
  - Collaborate with other city agencies (including SDOT, SHA, Metro, etc.) in an effort to curtail criminal activity
  - Utilize other SPD resources as needed (including Traffic Unit, Gang Unit, Narcotics Unit, Joint Assessment Team, Major Crimes, etc.)
- Property crime (including auto theft, burglary and car prowls)
  - SW Precinct purchased professional quality evidence kits for all SW patrol units
    - Place an emphasis on looking for and lifting fingerprints
  - Develop a weekly report on property crime that is accessible to SW personnel
    - Sergeants to review with their squads weekly
  - Develop a weekly report that overlays auto theft and recovery hotspots
    - This report is available to SW patrol officers via SW Dashboard
    - Used to focus the deployment of the Automated License Plate Reader (APLR) car for SW patrol and SW assigned Parking Enforcement Officers (PEOs)
  - Develop a persistent offender database for auto theft, burglary and car prowls that is accessible in the field
    - This database is available to SW patrol officers via SW Dashboard
    - SW Anti-Crime Team (ACT) and patrol will do periodic arrest operations for SW related suspects
  - Directed patrol in property crime hot spots, as call load allows, which may include:
    - Vehicular patrols
    - Bicycle patrols
    - Foot beat patrols
    - Deployment of Mobile Precinct
    - Covert investigative patrols
  - Continue to distribute crime prevention bulletins and public safety announcements via Nextdoor, West Seattle Blog and community listserves
  - Continue to utilize information developed from the Seattle Police Department Data Driven Unit to address emerging property crime trends and observed hot spots

- Continue to utilize the Crime Prevention Coordinator for dissemination of information and providing Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) analyses and suggestions
- Safety in the parks and Duwamish Trail
  - Officers to log premise checks at parks, as call load allows
  - Maintain patrolling in the parks and surrounding areas, as call load allows, which may include:
    - Vehicular patrols
    - Bicycle patrols
    - Foot beat patrols
    - Deployment of Mobile Precinct
    - Covert investigative patrols
  - Collaborate with Seattle Parks Department to ensure prompt closing of parks in the area and address safety issues in the parks by applying Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles to park design and maintenance
  - Collaborate with other city agencies (including Seattle Parks Department, SDOT, etc.) to address environmental issues such as controlling access to the parks through signs, gates, locks and the use of natural boundaries
  - All watches patrol officers to conduct premise checks and clear the parks at closing, as call load allows
  - Utilize current trespass ordinance for individuals in the park after hours
- Illegal activity at stairwell at 12<sup>th</sup> Ave S and S Donovan Street
  - All watches continue active patrolling and monitoring of the stairwell for criminal activity
  - Coordinate with other city agencies (including SDOT, DPD and City Light) to ensure Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) ideologies are in place in areas of concern
  - SW Precinct to explore additional grant opportunities and other corporation involvement to facilitate clean-up efforts in areas of concern in South Park
  - Continue to collaborate with the community regarding their safety concerns in the park and stairwell areas
- Public order crime (including littering, dumping and graffiti)
  - SW Precinct to work on identifying patterns of littering, dumping and graffiti
  - Clean graffiti and trash early and often, via city and private services
  - Advertise Find it, Fix it App- through Nextdoor, community meetings and email, to encourage citizen reporting
  - Look at initiating dialogue regarding the design of building walls and other surfaces making them not conducive to graffiti and vandalism